Message to the Congress Transmitting the Annual Report on Alaskan Mineral Resources

February 28, 1991

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith the 1990 Annual Report on Alaska's Mineral Resources, pursuant to section 1011 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (Public Law 96–487; 16 U.S.C. 3151). This report, containing pertinent public information relating to minerals in Alaska, was gathered by the U.S. Geological Survey, the Bureau

of Mines, and other Federal agencies. This report is significant because of the importance of the mineral and energy resources of Alaska to the future well-being of the Nation.

GEORGE BUSH

The White House, February 28, 1991.

Message to the Congress Reporting Budget Deferrals *February 28, 1991*

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report 26 proposed rescissions, totaling \$4.3 billion, and one revised deferral and one new deferral of budget authority. Including the revised and new deferrals, funds withheld in FY 1991 now total \$9.3 billion.

The deferrals affect International Security Assistance programs and the Department of Agriculture. The proposed rescissions affect the Departments of Agriculture, Defense, and Housing and Urban Development.

The details of the proposed rescissions and deferrals are contained in the attached report.

GEORGE BUSH

The White House, February 28, 1991.

Note: The report detailing the proposed rescissions and deferrals was printed in the "Federal Register" of March 15.

Remarks and an Exchange With Reporters Prior to Discussions With Ambassador Nasir Al-Sabah of Kuwait

February 28, 1991

The Ambassador. When we saw the Kuwaiti flag with the Stars and Stripes flying together, it was just so touching.

The President. It was very moving. And I'll tell you, I had a telegram from General Boomer, who is the—I'd like to show that. Get Patti to bring me, if you would, the telegram from General Boomer of the Marine Corps who went into Kuwait yesterday. Because Americans are—I've been very touched by the warmth of reception.

Let me—I've violated my own rules of not taking—I won't violate the question rule, but I do want to make just a comment, and then I'd welcome a comment from you. But before I say what's on my heart about Kuwait, I want to announce here today that the Iraqi Government has now agreed to designate military commanders to meet with coalition counterparts to arrange for the military aspects of this cease-fire, something we called for yesterday.